## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Patrick L. Iversen

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For : SENSE ANTIVIRAL COMPOUND AND METHOD FOR

TREATING SSRNA VIRAL INFECTION

Examiner : Jon E. Angell

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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

## Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated August 11, 2009, please extend the period of time for response five (5) months, to expire on February 11, 2010. A Petition for an Extension of Time and the requisite fee are enclosed.

Applicant hereby elects Group I, original claims 1-13, directed to an oligonucleotide analog compound, for examination at this time. Applicant further elects the viral family of Flaviviridae, and elects, with traverse, SEQ ID NO:7, targeted to Hepatitis C virus (HCV). Claims 1-7 and 13 read on the elected viral family of Flaviviridae and the elected species of SEO ID NO:7. Consideration of the elected claims is now kindly requested.

Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.